

## Influence of solvent environment on dielectric behaviour of cyclohexylamine

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**Abstract** Dielectric study of cyclohexylamine has been carried out with three non-polar solvent such as benzene, n-heptane and 1,4-dioxane at 313K. Molar polarization ( $P_2$ ), Kirkwood correlation factor ( $g$ ), excess correlation factor ( $\delta g$ ) and excess free energy ( $\Delta G$ ) have been determined for cyclohexylamine molecule as a function of mole fraction of solute using static dielectric constant and dielectric constant at optical frequency. The  $g$  values are greatly affected by the presence of different environment. In 1,4-dioxane, the high values of  $g$  as compared to other two environments is explained on the basis of hydrogen bonding interaction. Presence of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  multimers is identified for all the three environments.

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### 1. Introduction

Cyclohexylamine (CHA) is of prime industrial significance and constitute some most important insecticides, plasticizers and corrosion inhibitors. The molecules of this compound have several hydrogen bonding sites and can enter into intermolecular hydrogen bonding giving rise to several different multimers. There is a great interest to study the dielectric behaviour of CHA with non-polar solvents to understand the role of hydrogen bonding and the effect of solvent environment regarding their liquid structure.

To understand the dielectric behaviour of the associating molecule it is necessary to determine various dielectric parameter like molar polarization, Kirkwood correlation factor, excess correlation factor and excess free energy *etc.* Those are related with inter or intramolecular association. These parameters have been used to throw light on the dynamic characteristics of molecular association in the binary mixtures of polar and non-polar liquids. In the recent past, few workers [1-4] have studied the dielectric properties of amines in non-polar solvents.

The objective of the paper is to study the dielectric relaxation of CHA in different non-polar environment such as benzene, n-heptane and 1,4-dioxane over the entire range of concentration

at temperature 313K. The molar polarization, Kirkwood correlation factor, excess correlation factor and excess free energy have also been calculated in the present study.

### 2. Method of measurement and analysis of data

Static permittivity ( $\epsilon_0$ ) at 100 kHz was measured using a dipole meter by directly measuring the capacitance and calibrating it for standard liquids. The dielectric constant ( $\epsilon_\infty$ ) at optical frequency was obtained by squaring the refractive index for sodium D-lines, measured with the help of an Abbe's refractometer. The accuracy of measurements of  $\epsilon_0$  and  $\epsilon_\infty$  are nearly 0.1% and 0.03% respectively. The density measurement was made with a pycnometer. All measurements were made at constant temperature 313K.

Kirkwood correlation factor  $g$  has been calculated using the modified Kirkwood-Fröhlich [5] equation for the binary mixture given by

$$g\mu^2 = \frac{9KT(2\epsilon_m + \epsilon_\infty)^2}{4\pi N f_2 (\epsilon_\infty + 2)^2 (2\epsilon_m + 1)} V(\epsilon_m - 1) - \frac{3V_1 f_1 (\epsilon_1 - 1)}{2\epsilon_m + \epsilon_1} - \frac{3V_2 f_2 (\epsilon_\infty - 1)}{2\epsilon_m + \epsilon_\infty} \quad (1)$$

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Here,  $\epsilon_m$  is the static dielectric constant of the solution,  $\epsilon_\infty$  is the square of refractive index at the frequency of D-lines of sodium for pure solute,  $\epsilon_1$  is the static dielectric constant of pure solvent,  $f_1$  is the mole fraction of the solvent,  $f_2$  is the mole fraction of the solute,  $V$  is the molar volume of the solution and  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  are the molar volume of pure solvent and pure solute respectively.  $K$ ,  $T$  and  $N$  are Boltzmann's constant, absolute temperature and Avogadro's number, respectively. Molar polarization [3] of binary mixture is given by

$$P = \left( \frac{\epsilon_m - 1}{\epsilon_m + 2} \right) V = \frac{\epsilon_m}{\epsilon_m + 2} \left[ \frac{3V_1 f_1 (\epsilon_1 - 1)}{2 \epsilon_m + \epsilon_1} + \frac{3V_2 f_2 (\epsilon_\infty - 1)}{2 \epsilon_m + \epsilon_\infty} \right] + g \frac{4\pi N \mu^2 f_2 (\epsilon_\infty + 2)^2 (2 \epsilon_m + 1)}{9KT(2 \epsilon_m + \epsilon_\infty)^2} \quad (2)$$

Molar polarization  $P_2$  of the solute is calculated by the equation

$$P_2 = P_1 + \left\{ \frac{(P - P_1)}{f_2} \right\} \quad (3)$$

where  $P_1$  is the molar polarization of the solvent which is given by

$$P_1 = \left\{ \frac{(\epsilon_1 - 1)}{(\epsilon_1 + 2)} \right\} V_1 \quad (4)$$

The excess Gibb's free energy of mixing ( $\Delta G_f$ ) in the binary mixture was obtained by the expression used by Swain and Roy [6]. David and Douheret [7] developed a mixture equation purely from empirical considerations and introduced a parameter called excess correlation factor ( $\delta g$ ) to represent the departure from ideality. Ray and Roy [8] also give the expression for excess free energy of mixing ( $\Delta G_H$ ) for the binary mixture of polar and non-polar solvents using excess correlation factor  $\delta g$  in place of  $g$ .

### 3. Results and discussion

The dielectric constant of CHA in three non-polar solvents, viz. benzene, n-heptane and 1,4-dioxane were measured at 313K. Experimental data are listed in Table 1. The variation of  $g$  values for CHA against percentage mole fraction ( $\%f_2$ ) are shown in Figure 1. It is clear from the graph that  $g$  values are greater than and less than unity, which shows that these molecules associate to form multimers with parallel dipole moment and also with anti parallel dipole moment. The value of  $g > 1$  indicate predominance of  $\alpha$  - multimers with parallel dipolar orientation, whereas  $g < 1$  indicates the predominance of  $\beta$  - multimers with anti-parallel orientation. The observed values of  $g$  for benzene with concentration varies monotonously leading to the conclusion

Table 1. Values of  $\epsilon_0$ ,  $g$ ,  $P_2$ ,  $\delta g$ ,  $\Delta G_f$  and  $\Delta G_H$  with concentration in different solvents at 313K.

Mole fraction of CHA	$\epsilon_0$	$g$	$P_2$ (cc)	$\delta g$	$\Delta G_f$ (J/mole)	$\Delta G_H$ (J/mole)
Benzene						
0.05075	2.444	1.07	85.86	0.19	29.14	28.13
0.09627	2.544	0.89	76.27	-0.04	51.22	46.67
0.17140	2.600	0.66	64.46	-0.32	86.76	68.61
0.22435	2.872	0.86	73.27	-0.11	91.33	71.35
0.30591	3.192	0.94	75.70	-0.02	96.63	69.26
0.39126	3.440	0.93	74.18	-0.1	98.27	62.41
0.53638	4.016	1.00	74.78	+0.08	69.59	37.89
0.64282	4.336	1.01	73.19	0.09	47.99	21.76
0.67286	4.592	1.07	74.69	0.16	24.42	11.66
0.87409	4.760	0.93	68.39	0.04	11.17	2.07
1.0	4.86	0.87	65.73	0.58	0	0
Heptane						
0.07752	2.064	1.13	101.47	0.06	71.42	56.57
0.11368	2.164	1.21	99.89	-0.04	104.52	23.73
0.15033	2.192	0.96	86.04	-0.36	144.34	86.22
0.19686	2.242	0.81	77.54	-0.15	135.79	106.58
0.30019	2.392	0.70	70.26	-0.25	179.11	117.83
0.39152	2.648	0.76	72.37	-0.18	191.73	110.72
0.47892	2.888	0.77	71.98	-0.15	193.26	84.61
0.56272	3.192	0.81	72.70	-0.09	175.57	74.85
0.72018	3.672	0.79	69.58	-0.08	139.54	35.27
0.79426	4.080	0.85	70.26	-0.01	91.69	20.79
1.0	4.86	0.83	65.73	-0.04	0	0
1,4-Dioxane						
0.11365	2.62	1.85	87.25	0.80	36.51	33.96
0.15642	2.630	1.40	73.64	0.33	50.88	42.53
0.20242	2.670	1.19	67.40	0.10	65.21	48.89
0.26765	2.834	1.21	67.20	0.09	78.47	52.91
0.34301	2.856	1.00	61.13	-0.15	101.91	53.35
0.42228	2.892	0.88	57.48	-0.31	125.87	47.20
0.50576	3.016	0.87	57.00	-0.35	141.30	36.30
0.59380	3.168	0.89	57.07	-0.37	151.50	21.87
0.68679	3.560	1.07	60.76	-0.24	127.30	14.43
1.0	4.86	1.45	65.73	-2.05 $\times 10^{-4}$	0	0

that there is no regular ordering of molecular association with the variation of concentration. Similar trends in  $g$  values for glycols in benzene were obtained by Sengwa and Kaur [9]. In n-heptane, as the dilution decreases,  $g$  values decreased to unity which shows that  $\alpha$ -multimers are converted in  $\beta$ -multimers. As the mole fraction of CHA increases,  $g$  values are less than unity indicating that the molecules of these compound associate

orm multimers with anti-parallel dipole moment. In 1,4 dioxane, are getting the presence of  $\alpha$  and multimers  $\beta$  also.

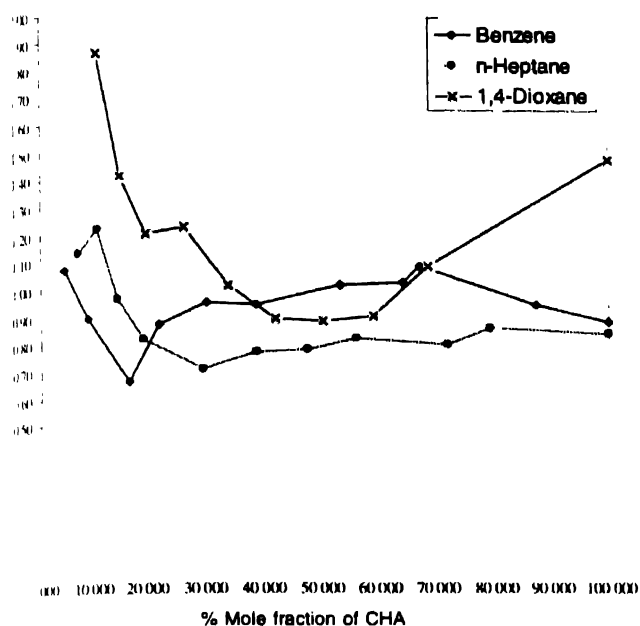


Figure 1. Variation of  $g$  with % mole fraction of CHA.

Among the system studied above, the deviation of  $g$  from unity for 1,4-dioxane is higher than those of n-heptane and benzene. This may be attributed to the fact that CHA establishes bonding with oxygen of 1,4-dioxane and results in enforcement of intermolecular association of CHA molecule and hence increases the value of  $g$ . Similar results were obtained by Acharya *et al* [10] in the case of dioxane for di-isobutyl ketone (DBK). Molar polarization  $P_2$  (CC) of CHA with three non-polar solvent shows anomalous behaviour with mole fraction of CHA [Figure 2] *i.e.* there are increase as well as

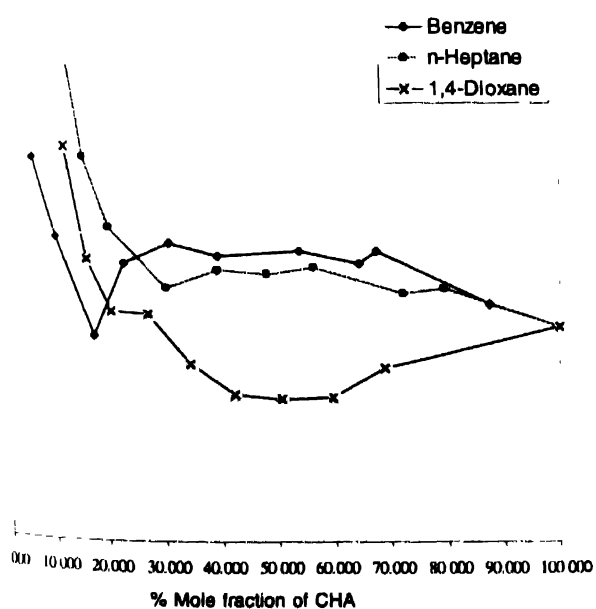


Figure 2. Variation of  $P_2$  with % mole fraction of CHA.

decrease in  $P_2$  values with increasing concentration of CHA. It is clear from Figures 1 and 2 that molar polarization  $P_2$  follows the Kirkwood correlation factor  $g$  with the variation of concentration. At higher values of  $g$ , molar polarization is large while for lower  $g$  values, it is small. These maxima and minima in  $P_2$  values are found at the same concentration where these have been observed in  $g$  values. This shows that the association in these molecules is quasi-state *i.e.* there is continuous rapid switching of the dipole from intramolecular state to intermolecular and *vice versa*.

The excess free energy ( $\Delta G_{II}$ ) are plotted with percentage mole fraction of CHA [Figure 3]. It is clear from the graph that  $\Delta G_{II}$  values are positive for all the mixtures. The magnitude of ( $\Delta G_{II}$ )<sub>max</sub> for n-heptane mixture being highest, corroborates our findings on  $g$  and  $P_2$  that the extent of formation of  $\beta$  clusters is maximum in this system. The value of  $\Delta G_{II}$  is observed to be minimum in 1,4-dioxane in comparison to benzene and n-heptane. This supports our earlier finding that the interaction in 1,4-dioxane medium is stronger than that of other two medium. Since the nature of the non-polar liquids in our present study is non-associative in the mixture, the negative values of  $\delta g$  and the positive nature of  $\Delta G_{II}$  confirm the mathematical formulation used by Ray and Roy [8]. With increase in the concentration of CHA (polar liquid),  $\Delta G_{II}$  increases and attain the maximum value in the range 0.23-0.34 mole fraction of CHA and then decreases. This may be due to the fact that  $\beta$ -multimers in the mixture is characterized by reduction of internal energy in comparison to  $\alpha$ -multimers in CHA. With further increase in the concentration of CHA, the conversion of  $\beta$ -multimers to  $\alpha$ -multimers reverses the trend and  $\Delta G_{II}$  starts diminishing.

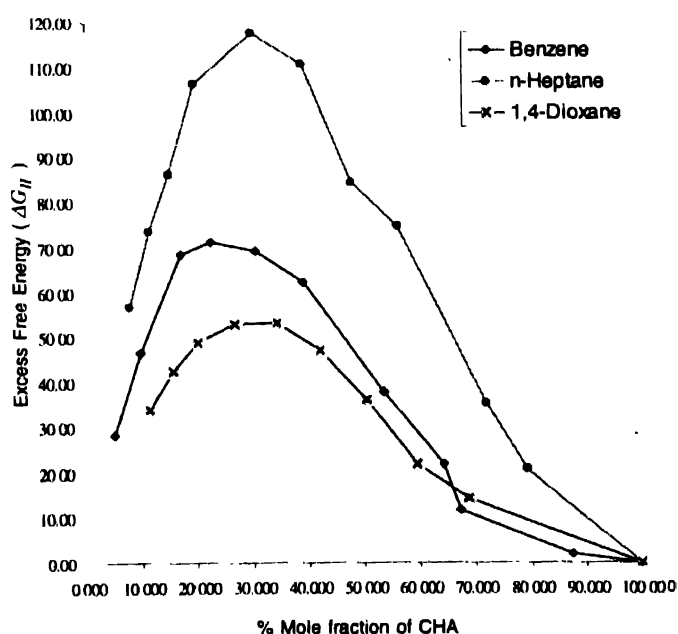


Figure 3. Variation of  $\Delta G_{II}$  with % mole fraction of CHA.

#### 4. Conclusion

We may thus conclude as follows :

- (i) The presence of  $\alpha$  - and  $\beta$  - multimers exist in all the three environments under investigation.
- (ii) CHA establishes H- bonding with oxygen of 1,4-dioxane causing reinforcement of inter molecular association of CHA molecule. This effect shows deviation of  $g$  from unity which is much higher in 1,4-dioxane as compared to n-heptane and benzene.
- (iii) Study of molar polarization shows continuous rapid switching of dipole from intramolecular to intermolecular state and vice-versa.

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